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Please see below.

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Good morning – The attached February talking points on the Climate Pollution Reduction Grants conform with the web updates and add some texture to the talkers on collaboration. Please feel free to start using these in discussions with your outside groups. The document itself is INTERNAL and should not be distributed outside the agency.

From: Ashley, Jackie
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Good morning, Leiran –

This is a heads up that by 10 a.m. tomorrow (Wednesday, Feb. 8), we plan to update the Climate Pollution Reduction Grants web page, share the webinar announcement, and distribute an updated set of CPRG talking points.

Website updates: On the website, we will:

1. Post a registration link for the Introductory webinar for state, territory, tribal and local governments to be held at 2 p.m. February 15, 2023

2. Update text to share additional information

- a. Change “as soon as early March” to “as soon as March 1”
- b. State clearly that planning grants will be noncompetitive
- c. State that EPA intends to have a 30-day opt-in period for the planning grants
- d. Confirm opportunities for states, territories, municipalities and tribes to receive planning grants directly, including a tribal set-aside
- e. Clarify that “EPA anticipates that states with existing climate plans could use planning money to update or expand their existing plans in preparation for the future implementation grants competition.”

Webinar announcement email: Around 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, we will send email language announcing the webinar that the regions, OAR, OCIR, and OPEEE can distribute to states, tribes and other stakeholders, as appropriate. (This announcement will also go out to all those who have signed up for the “Stay Connected” updates.)

February talking points: We will also distribute talking points that conform with the web updates and add some texture to the talkers on collaboration. Please feel free to start using these in discussions with your outside groups.

Thanks and let us know if you have questions. Megan Brachtl will also review the talking points and information about the webinar during the special purpose CPRG call tomorrow (Wednesday) at 2PM EST.

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